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Via Electronic Filing

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk and Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210-8412

RE: Docket No. 2022-18-T, Application of All My Sons Moving & Storage of

Charleston, LLC to Amend Tariff and Bill of Lading

Dear Ms. Boyd:

This is in response to the email to me as Counsel for the Applicant All My Sons Moving & Storage of Charleston, LLC ("AMS-Charleston") from Commission Attorney Sharon Besley dated February 24, 2022, asking me to elaborate on the basis for the Tariff and Bill of Lading amendments proposed by the Applicant. The existing Tariff on file with the Commission was effective on March 2, 2021. The proposed increased rates and charges are due to increases in labor costs, pricing models of competitors, and the increased demand for more materials. The Applicant's current Tariff was effective on March 2, 2021.

It is a well-known fact that the United States is in an unusual inflationary period. From January, 2021 to January, 2022, the inflation rate has increased from 1.4% to 7.5%. See, (a) https://www.bls.gov/cpi/ that is attached as Exhibit A; and (b) *Monthly 12-month inflation rate in the United States from January 2021 to January 2022*, https://www.statista.com/statistics/273418/unadjusted-monthly-inflation-rate-in-the-

us/#:~:text=The%20annual%20inflation%20rate%20in,available%20funds%20to%20make%20 that is attached as Exhibit B.

Also, the truck driver shortage both before and since the pandemic has been widely reported, thereby requiring movers to continually increase wages. See *Need a professional mover? Experts say start looking early* that is attached as Exhibit C.

Finally, the proposed increases in rates and charges in the proposed Tariff and Bill of Lading contain non-substantive language changes and the correction of several typographical errors.

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Please advise if you have any further questions. With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

s/David Popowski

David Popowski

Enclosures

cc: Nicole M. Hair, Esq., SC Office of Regulatory Staff